

REMARKS

Entry of this amendment prior to examination is respectfully requested.

By the present amendment, the continuing information required under 37 CFR § 1.72 is provided.

The present Continuation application is presented with new claims 1-6 and a newly prepared Abstract. It is noted that the specification corresponds to the Substitute Specification filed in the parent case on July 26, 2002.


New claims 1-6 correspond to claims 25-30 examined in the parent application. These new claims 1-6 have been drafted to overcome the 35 U.S.C. § 112 rejection set forth in the Office Action. In addition, a new Abstract is provided to express the invention more concisely, as per 37 CFR § 1.78.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of, either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (503.34065CV4).

Respectfully submitted,

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